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Selected NCI Press Releases / NewsCenter Items

Available at http://www.cancer.gov/newscenter/.

- NCI Announces New Smoke-free Meeting Policy to Address Major Public Health Hazard (7/13/2006)
- · Scientists Identify an Inherited Gene That Strongly Affects Risk for the Most Common Form of Melanoma (6/29/2006)

NCI Fact Sheet Collection

New, revised and reviewed titles. Available at http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/factsheet/.

- Cancer Clusters (FS 3.58, 7/5/06)
- National Cancer Institute Evaluation of Scientific Hypotheses (FS 1.9, 7/10/06)
- · Secondhand Smoke: Questions and Answers (FS 10.18, 6/27/06)

Other NCI Publications of Interest

Available for order using the NCI Publications Service. https://cissecure.nci.nih.gov/ncipubs, or as noted.

NCI International Portfolio: Addressing the Global Challenge of Cancer is an overview of NCI's international cancer control and research programs efforts.

The latest issue of the NCI publication called BenchMarks was recently released, featuring two articles about tailored cancer treatment: "Cancer Diagnostics: Informing the Development of Tailored Cancer Therapy" and "Molecular Diagnostics." See http://www.cancer.gov/newscenter/benchmarks-vol6issue3.

The issue prior to that, released earlier in the spring, focused on survivorship issues. The two articles in that issue are "Passport for Care: An Internet-Based Survivorship Care Plan" and "Second Cancers Complicate Long-Term Survival." See http://www.cancer.gov/newscenter/benchmarks-vol6-

Ask the CIS Column

Short, easy-to-read columns based on the latest cancer information from NCI, in question-and-answer format for newsletters and other publications. Please contact your regional Partnership Program Coordinator to access full columns. (Contact information is on page 3.) This month's columns are about the Surgeon General's recent report that breathing even a little secondhand smoke can be harmful.

Other Items of Interest

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- CDC's Advisory Committee Recommends Human Papillomavirus Virus Vaccination (6/29/06) http://www.cdc.gov/od/oc/media/pressrel/r060629.htm
- FDA Gives Rapid Approval for a New Treatment for a Rare Type of Leukemia (6/29/06) http://www.fda.gov/bbs/topics/NEWS/2006/NEW014 00.html
- New Surgeon General's Report Focuses on the Effects of Secondhand Smoke (6/27/06) http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2006pres/20060627 .html
- FDA Announces New Initiative to Modernize the Regulation of Clinical Trials and Bioresearch Monitoring (6/26/06) http://www.fda.gov/bbs/topics/NEWS/2006/NEW013

The North American Quitline Consortium (NAQC) recently published Quitlines of North America and Europe 2006. A collaborative publication from the NAQC and the European Network of Quitlines (ENQ), Quitlines of North American and Europe 2006 provides information on North American and European Union quitlines, priorities and upcoming activities, and highlights of their annual survey. The publication is available to view or download at http://www.naquitline.org/.

National Health Observances

The National Health Observances calendar comes from the National Health Information Center Web site: http://www.healthfinder.gov/library/nho/nho.asp?vear

August cancer-related observances: None September observances:

Childhood Cancer Month Leukemia & Lymphoma Awareness Month Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Online Service - LiveHelp

Confidential, online text chat with a National Cancer Institute Information Specialist. Available Mon. - Fri., 9 a.m. - 11 p.m. EST. For cancer information and to order NCI

publications call 1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237) or visit http://www.cancer.gov

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National Events of Interest

"Quality of Life Through Roots of Strength" National Conference for Native American Cancer Survivors, Family Members, Caretakers, and Medical Providers

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Sponsor: Native American Cancer Research Corporation

and Native People's Circle of Hope Dates: September 21-24, 2006

Location: Radisson Hotel-Stapleton Plaza, Denver, CO

Registration and Contact: Conference fee: \$210.00 if paid before August 21, 2006; \$250 thereafter. Contact Celeste Whitewolf at 503-245-2253 or by e-mail at

npcoh@spiritone.org, or visit

http://www.nativepeoplescoh.org/Native People's Circle o f Hope/Roots of Strength.htm for full conference information, including the agenda and registration form (online registration available).

3rd Biennial Cancer Survivorship Research Conference-Cancer Survivorship: Embracing the

Sponsors: NCI's Office of Cancer Survivorship, American Cancer Society, and the Lance Armstrong Foundation

Dates: October 4-5, 2006

Location: Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference

Center, Bethesda, MD

Registration and Contact: No fee. Registration deadline is Sept. 1, 2006. Full details, including the agenda and contact information, are provided at

http://www.blsmeetings.net/Survivorship06/gen.htm.

Online registration is available.

Summary: Participants will have the opportunity to learn about the future directions of cancer survivorship research, advances in e-health and communications, challenges to follow-up care for cancer survivors, understanding and fulfilling the needs of cancer caregivers and families, and reviewing research and strategies to address health disparities in cancer survivorship. Conference attendees will include researchers in biomedical and behavioral science, health care professionals, scientists, graduate students in health-related sciences, community-based advocates, state public health planners, and cancer survivors and their families.

40th Annual American Association for Cancer Education (AACE) Meeting: Innovative Interventions and Methods in Cancer Education

Sponsors: American Association for Cancer Education, University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine

Dates: October 12-14, 2006

Location: Catamaran Resort Hotel on Mission Bay, San

Diego, CA

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Registration and Contact: Different fees for members. non-members and students. Register by Sept. 12, 2006 for early bird rates at conference and hotel. Complete details about the conference and online registration available at http://aace.cpsonline.info/. Additional contacts can be made via e-mail at ocme@ucsd.edu or phone at 858-534-3940.

Summary: Cancer education plays a key role in the dissemination and implementation of cancer prevention, treatment and palliation. Topics on the agenda of the conference include cancer prevention, treatment, supportive cancer care, palliative cancer care, cancer research, sources of support for education and research, and the design, development, implementation, evaluation, and dissemination of cancer education programs.

3rd Annual Spit Tobacco Summit-Advancing **Understanding and Building Collaboration**

Sponsor: Mayo Clinic

Dates: October 16-18, 2006

Location: Siebens Building, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

Contact: The Mayo School of Continuing Medical Education, phone 800-323-2688 or e-mail cme@mayo.edu.

Full conference details expected soon online at

http://www.mayo.edu/cme.

Summary: This meeting is designed to bring together individuals from a variety of disciplines interested in smokeless tobacco. This includes tobacco treatment specialists, basic scientists, population researchers, clinical trialists, physicians, dentists, dental hygienists, advocacy groups, tobacco prevention and control administrators, youth advocates, and Native American and Alaska Native tribal tobacco prevention and treatment service providers. Topics will cover a range of interests pertaining to the smokeless tobacco field: research, clinical treatment. health risks, community approaches to treatment and prevention, building partnerships, and addressing health disparities. Interdisciplinary collaborations will be fostered and critical areas for advancing the field will be outlined.

Save the Date: 16th Annual Cancer Patient Education Network Meeting-Gateway To The Future: Expanding Patient Education

Sponsors: Cancer Patient Education Network (CPEN), Siteman Cancer Center, Barnes Jewish Hospital and

Washington University Dates: October 25-28, 2006

Location: St. Louis, MO

Web site: http://www.cancerpatienteducation.org/

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LIVESTRONG Summit

Sponsor: The Lance Armstrong Foundation (LAF)

Dates: October 27-29, 2006

Location: Austin, TX

Registration: Through an application process, the LAF will identify approximately 1,000 current and potential leaders who are willing to champion the cancer cause in their local communities. Summit participants are responsible for a \$115 conference fee; some financial assistance may be available. Anyone who has been affected by cancer and is interested in participating in the LIVE**STRONG** Summit may apply at http://www.livestrong.org/summit.

Summary: The LAF's inaugural LIVESTRONG Summit is a three-day event to organize, inspire and direct the efforts of cancer survivors from across the country to change the face of cancer survivorship. The LIVESTRONG Summit is a call to action to develop goals and action plans to raise awareness and effect change around the needs of cancer survivors. After the LIVESTRONG Summit, participants will apply the action plans in their own communities and nationwide.

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❖ Save the Date: SOPHE 57th Annual Meeting: Health as a Human Right-Health Education, Equality and Social Justice for All

Sponsor: Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE)

Dates: November 2-5, 2006

Location: Sheraton Boston Hotel, Boston, MA

Call for scholarship applications: Undergraduate and graduate student scholarships are available to attend the meeting; deadline to apply is Sept. 8, 2006. See link below for application, and also for preliminary information about the annual meeting.

http://www.sophe.org/singlenews.asp?item ID=3842

Save the Date: 30th Annual National Rural Health **Association Conference**

Sponsor: National Rural Health Association

Dates: May 14-18, 2007 Location: Anchorage, AK

Call for abstracts and papers: The National Rural Health Association (NRHA) invites individuals with an interest in rural health research, evaluation of education programs or significant educational innovation to submit abstracts by Oct. 1, 2006. Student research paper award deadline is

Nov. 1, 2006.

Summary: To learn more about the Conference, and/or

submit an abstract or paper, go to

http://www.nrharural.org/conferences/sub/AnnConf.html.

National Funding Opportunities – New listings



No new funding opportunities identified this month.

Previously listed funding opportunities

Funding opportunities are listed one time only, due to space constraints. We can provide listings published in previous newsletters upon request.

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